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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL**(Only for new nonprovisional applications  
under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	8638
First Inventor	Christopher Bewick-Sonntag
Assignee	The Procter & Gamble Company
Title	Improved Topsheet for Contacting Hydrour Body Tissues and Absorbent Device with Such a Topsheet
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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**  
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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status  
(see 37 CFR §1.27)
3. ☒ Specification Total Pages [111]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC §113) Total Sheets [14]
5. Oath or Declaration Total pages ☐
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR §1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 complete)
    - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTORS**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application,  
see 37 CFR §§1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR §1.76
7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ Paper
  - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C.  
122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form  
PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: .....

**18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR §1.76:☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 09/637,440

Prior application information: Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_

Group/Art Unit: 3763

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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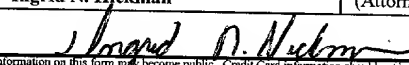
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Box Missing Parts

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

[X] This replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (PTO-1533) mailed August 2, 2001. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533) is enclosed.

[X] No declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

[] The declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

[] This replies to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed \_\_\_. A copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers is enclosed. To complete the informalities noted on the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, applicant submits herewith:

[] New drawings complying with the size requirements (in compliance with 37 CFR §1.84);

[] Drawings of sufficient quality to readily use the patent application publication as a prior art document;

[] Specification of sufficient quality for optical character recognition (OCR) conversion of image to text;

[] Title and/or Abstract in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.72;

[] Sequence listings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821 *et seq.*

[] Other (please specify). \_\_.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the surcharge set forth in 37 CFR §1.16(e) to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge payment of any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

[] The Commissioner is also hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Notice to File Missing Parts to preserve the pendency of the above-identified application. The processing fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is as follows:

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